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1. FEB 23 ISSUE OF PLO WEEKLY, PALESTINE REVOLUTION, CARRIED BLISTERING EDITORIAL INVEIGHING AGAINST FONMIN FAHMI'S STATEMENT TO WASHINGTON POST RE INTERNATIONALIZATION OF JERUSALEM. IN ADDITION TO OUTRAGING PLO PROPAGANDISTS, FAHMI'S REMARKS HAVE ALSO SERVED AS VEHICLE FOR ESCALATING THEIR CAMPAIGN AGAINST EGYPTIAN COOPERATION WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER AND ONGOING ME SETTLEMENT EFFORT. FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM PALESTINE REVOLUTION EDITORIAL.

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2. BEGIN TEXT: BY WHAT RIGHT DOES AN ARAB LEADER CALL FOR

INTERNATIONALIZATION OF (JERUSALEM)? ... PALESTINIAN PEOPLE WHO SHED THEIR BLOOD FOR THE CITY BOIL WITH ANGER WHEN THIS ARAB LEADER DEMANDS INTERNATIONALIZATION, AS IF INTERNATIONALIZATION IS DIFFERENT FROM ZIONIST USURPATION. INTERNATIONALIZATION IS AN ARAB ADMISSION OF ZIONIST USURPATION.

WE HAVE (ALWAYS) SAID IMPERIALIST PLANNING IS DIRECTED AGAINST PALESTINE AND PALESTINIANS. THOSE WHO ADVOCATE INTERNATIONALIZATION, INFLUENCED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF THIS WORD WITH JERUSALEM SINCE THIRTY YEARS, PERHAPS BELIEVE IT APPROPRIATE TO IMPOSE THEIR COMPROMISE ON PALESTINE AND ON THE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE. THEY CLAIM INTERNATIONALIZATION WILL EMBARRASS THE

ENEMY ... (BUT) THE PALESTINIAN AND ARAB PEOPLE CONSIDER THIS

LOGIC A RECOGNITION OF USURPATION ... THE ARAB NATION KNOWS THAT JERUSALEM WAS USURPED AND THAT ITS LIBERATION FROM THE ZIONISTS IS REQUIRED. THOSE WHO ADVOCATE INTERNATIONALIZATION, IN REALITY, ADVOCATE AN END TO STATE OF BELLIGERENCY WITH THE ENEMY. THE ARAB NATION WILL NOT ACCEPT THIS LOGIC.

THE WHOLE MATTER IS A DEAL CONTRIVED BY KISSINGER WHOSE PRICE IS THE PALESTINIAN HOMELAND AND JERUSALEM IN PARTICULAR. IN EXCHANGE FOR EACH PIECE OF THE SINAI, PALESTINIANS MUST PAY THE PRICE IN TERMS OF THEIR HOMELAND, RIGHTS AND HOLY PLACES. IT IS NOT STRANGE THAT A PROMINENT ARAB LEADER TALKS ABOUT INTER-

NATIONALIZATION AT THE TIME HIS BOSS AND KISSINGER ARE PUTTING FINAL TOUCHES ON PARTIAL SETTLEMENT IN SINAI. IN EXCHANGE FOR ABU RUDEISS OIL FIELDS AND PASSES, ARABS ARE FORCED TO RECOGNIZE USURPATION UNDER COVER OF INTERNATIONALIZATION OF JERUSALEM. IN SUBSEQUENT STAGES, ARABS WILL BE REQUIRED TO RECOGNIZE ISRAELI RIGHTS TO SETTLE ON WEST BANK AND GAZA IN EXCHANGE FOR SHARM AL-SHEIKH. CAN THIS BE CALLED A "MILITARY MEASURE" WHICH IS NOT CONNECTED WITH POLITICAL CONCESSIONS? IS NOT (INTERNATIONALIZATION) REALLY A DECISION TO END STATE OF BELLIGERENCY, EVEN IF (JERUSALEM IS) GIVEN TO THE UN, AS WELL AS AN ASSERTION THAT PALESTINIAN PEOPLE'S RIGHTS ARE NO LONGER A NATIONAL COMMITMENT?
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THE PALESTINIAN REVOLUTION ... CONSIDERS DISCUSSION OF JERUSALEM'S INTERNATIONALIZATION AS MANEUVER NOT FOR EMBARRASSMENT OF THE ENEMY, BUT FOR CAPITULATION TO ISRAEL'S USURPATION. OUR STRUGGLE HAS PROVEN THAT PALESTINE, DESPITE BEING REQUIRED TO PAY PRICE OF CAPITULATION, WILL CONTINUE TO WAGE ARMED STRUGGLE AND TO DEFEAT PLOT AFTER PLOT WHATEVER THE SACRIFICES. OUR STRUGGLE ENJOYS SUPPORT OF THE ARAB NATIONS

AND ALL HONEST FORCES IN WORLD. JERUSALEM WILL REMAIN ARAB,
NOT ZIONIST NOR INTERNATIONAL. END TEXT.
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